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DETAILED ACTION

Election/Restrictions

1. Applicant's election without traverse of Group I in the reply filed on 8/3/05 is acknowledged.

Claim Rejections - 35 USC § 102

2. The following is a quotation of the appropriate paragraphs of 35 U.S.C. 102 that form the basis for the rejections under this section made in this Office action:

A person shall be entitled to a patent unless –

(b) the invention was patented or described in a printed publication in this or a foreign country or in public use or on sale in this country, more than one year prior to the date of application for patent in the United States.

3. Claims 1, 15, and 16 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. 102(b) as being anticipated by Studtmann (4,511,835).

Studtmann discloses a method and an apparatus of a power converter converting AC power into DC power (51) by way of a rectification device (52-57), wherein the rectification device is capable of being controlled to switch on at a plurality of time instants; experiencing at least one of a first reduction in a first characteristic of the received AC power and a second reduction in a second characteristic of the DC power (thru 101, 104); and changing at least one of the time instants at which the rectification device is to be switched on (see figure 3 and col. 9, lines 42-55).

Allowable Subject Matter

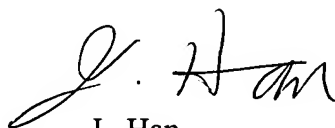
4. Claims 2-14 and 17-25 are objected to as being dependent upon a rejected base claim, but would be allowable if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

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Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the examiner should be directed to Y. J. Han whose telephone number is 571-272-2078. The examiner can normally be reached on Mon-Fri 5:30am-2:00pm.

If attempts to reach the examiner by telephone are unsuccessful, the examiner's supervisor, Michael Sherry can be reached on 571-272-2084. The fax phone number for the organization where this application or proceeding is assigned is 571-273-8300.

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J. Han', is positioned above the printed name.

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